



Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, the bicycle is a legitimate, viable and environmentally sound form of transportation and an excellent form of recreation; and

WHEREAS, Alabama's thousands of miles of rural roads, multiple world class mountain bike trails, and dedicated bicycle and walking trails attract thousands of bicyclists each year from all 50 states and from across the globe, providing economic health and scenic benefits to citizens of Alabama and our visitors; and

WHEREAS, Alabama annually hosts over a dozen major recreational bicycle rides that attract thousands of cross-country and local bicyclists each year, including Bo Bikes Bama, Cheaha Challenge, BBC 100, Glassner Autumn Challenge and many other outstanding organized group rides; and

WHEREAS, creating bicycle-friendly communities has been shown to improve citizen health, well-being and quality of life, to boost community spirit, to improve traffic safety and to reduce pollution and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the League of American Bicyclists, the Alabama Bicycle Coalition (AlaBike), bicycle clubs including the Montgomery Bicycle Club, schools, parks and recreation departments, police departments, hospitals, companies and civic groups throughout Alabama will be promoting bicycling as a leisure activity, as well as an environmentally friendly alternative to the automobile during the month of May 2023; and

WHEREAS, the education of bicyclists and motorists as to the proper and safe operation of bicycles is important to ensure the safety and comfort of all users;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim May 15 through May 21, 2023, as

Bike to Work Week

and the month of May 2023 as

Bike Month

in the state of Alabama.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 16th day of May 2023.

Kay Ivey
Kay Ivey, Governor